GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Union Government recently held a conference of Chief Ministers of the State Governments to apprise them of the immediate need of infrastructure development;

(b) if so, the details of the outcome of the conference;

(c) whether the issue of reducing the Sales Tax on ATF has come up before the conference;and

(d) if so,the details and the reaction of the State Governments thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION(SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) Yes,Sir.A National Conference on Civil Aviation was held on 18.01.2008 at New Delhi, involving the Minister concerned and the Chief Secretaries of all States and Union Territories.

(b) The Conference was organized with the purpose to sensitize the States regarding the various programmes and policies of the Government of India as well as to provide a forum for the States to project issues of their concern.All States/UTs showed keen interest and attended the conference.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir.The issue regarding reduction of sales tax on ATF was brought to the notice of State Government representatives.The representatives of various States reacted positively on this issue.